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Evaluation reports, and management perspective and response

The Executive Board

1. *Takes note* of the annual report for 2016 on the evaluation function in UNICEF (E/ICEF/2017/11);

2. *Encourages* UNICEF to continue its ongoing internal capacity-building activities addressing gaps in the evaluation coverage of humanitarian assistance, in accordance with its mandate, and to take further steps to address shortcomings related to evaluation coverage of cross-cutting priorities, including gender equality, and also to strengthen impact-level evaluations;

3. *Welcomes* the focus of UNICEF on meeting the target to spend 1 per cent of resources allocated to evaluation, but is concerned that this goal was not met in 2015 or 2016, and therefore requests UNICEF to present plans towards meeting it;

4. *Requests* that updates on these issues be provided at the annual session of the UNICEF Executive Board in 2018;

5. *Takes note* of the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF): Review of development effectiveness, 2012-2015, looks forward to the implementation of the actions described in the management response and requests an update on the implementation of the recommendations of the review at the annual session of the UNICEF Executive Board in 2018;

6. *Requests* UNICEF to further advance collaboration and joint evaluation work with other United Nations entities, especially United Nations funds and programmes.

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